

'BERLIN BOMBER' BEGINS SEA FLIGHT

STEEL MEN ARRANGING FOR OIL PURCHASE

TELEPHONE STATEMENTS ARE ISSUED

Electricians and Phone Officials State Attitudes.

'SIGNERS NOT EMPLOYES'

J. W. Noble Says Authors of Statement Not Phone Men.

Statements were issued this morning by J. W. Noble, manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone company in which among other things he denied allegations of members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers to the effect that the telephone company refuses to recognize the right of employees to collective bargaining, and members of the union issued another statement in which their attitude toward the strike of electricians proposed for next Monday were set forth. Although the signers of the statement mention "the controversy in which we are engaged with the Bell Telephone company," Noble declares that not one of the signers is an employee of the company.

The telephone manager said his company recognizes the right of employees to bargain collectively, as long as they do not interfere with those who wish to deal with the organization as individuals; that the rights of three groups are affected by the proposed strike—the workers themselves, the investors in the telephone company, and the public; that none of the men signing the statement have consulted with him about collective bargaining, and that his company is not trying and always has tried to deal

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SANITARY UNIT TO REACH CITY THIS AFTERNOON

Troops Fed at Liberty Kitchen and Taken for Ride.

Word was received by W. A. Brooks chairman of the Thirty-sixth division reception committee this morning, that company C of the sanitary detachment of the 11th ammunition train will arrive in this city at 6:20 o'clock this evening and will stay for two or three hours' entertainment.

The men will be marched to the Liberty Kitchen immediately after their arrival here and will then be taken for a ride through the city in automobiles.

The 11th ambulance train is still scheduled to arrive in the city tomorrow at 1 o'clock. The program of entertainment for this and other units that may come in will be much the same as that arranged for the sanitary detachment, Brooks says.

No definite information had been received by the committee as to arrival of any of the field hospital units at noon today. The 143rd field hospital is an Oklahoma City unit.

LAST MINUTE NEWS

ALBIES READY TO BLOCKADE GERMANY.
PARIS, June 14.—The supreme blockade council met today, according to an official statement, for "final consideration of measures that might be rendered necessary by certain eventualities."

LABOR WILL FIGHT PROHIBITION, GOMPERS SAYS.
WASHINGTON, June 14.—Labor will not adjust itself to final wartime prohibition, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, told the senate judiciary committee today during hearings on legislation to enforce prohibition. He said he and his associates would do everything possible to prevent any serious labor disturbances, but declared he was "apprehensive of results" should congress fail to permit manufacture of beer containing 2 3-4 percent of alcohol.

DALLAS CHEERS 36TH DIVISION MEN.
DALLAS, Texas, June 14.—Two thousand members of the 11th engineers and machine gun battalion, thirty-sixth division, composed of men from Texas and Oklahoma, were given a stirring welcome when they paraded here today before going to Camp Bowie for mustering out. The 14th infantry of the same division will parade here tomorrow.

BLANTON CLAIMS HE WAS SHOT AT.
WASHINGTON, June 14.—Representative Blanton, democrat of Texas, told the house today that a rifle bullet had struck his automobile last Sunday when he and his family were driving on a Pennsylvania country road.

Gore vs. Wilson

WASHINGTON, June 14.—Assurance has been received by the republicans of the senate that they will get the votes of at least five democrats in their fight against ratification of the treaty.

These five are: Gore of Oklahoma, Reed of Missouri, Thomas of Colorado, Meyers of Montana, and Chamberlain of Oregon.

All of these senators are reported to be leaning toward the republicans and against President Wilson.

DRINK TAX RETURN TIME IS EXTENDED

Firm returns on fountain and bottling taxes may now be filed as late as July 20, according to advice received this morning from the department of internal revenue in Washington. The extension into July was made on account of the inability of the department to furnish proper filing blanks. The extension applies to tax returns for May which, under the old system, were to be filed before the end of June.

ANNA MAY SOPER'S REPRIEVE REVOKED

Governor Robertson has revoked the reprieve granted to Mrs. Anna May Soper, and she was arrested this morning and placed in the county jail to serve the remainder of the sentence given here in January, when she was convicted of violating the prohibitory law and of resisting an officer. One condition of the reprieve granted late in April was that Mrs. Soper would leave the state. The governor declares in the revocation of the reprieve that he has been informed that she soon returned to the state, carried firearms, and made serious threats of violence against good citizens.

MULLENIX RETURNS FROM PRISON STUDY

If you intend cracking a safe you had better wear gloves, for Lee Mullenix, superintendent of Bertillon for the police department, has returned from the federal prison at Fort Leavenworth where he completed the course of study of fingerprint methods and Bertillon measurements. Mullenix is now a member of the International Association of Criminal Identification.

While at Leavenworth Mullenix was given a bolshevik button, said to have been brought from Russia by a man now in jail at Kansas City.

MORE OKLAHOMA TROOPS ARRIVE

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., June 14.—The transports Buford and W. A. Luckenbach arrived today with about 3,500 officers and men, most of whom are from Texas, Oklahoma, North Carolina and Tennessee.

Bribe Given Judge, Is Alleged.
SAN FRANCISCO, June 14.—William J. Dingee, under oath in a deposition taken here today, asserted that \$400,000 had been paid Frederick W. Henshaw, then justice of the state supreme court, under Henshaw told him, Dingee said he would see what he could do in regard to reversing a decision of the supreme court so as to effect a breaking of the trust clause in the \$22,000,000 will of James G. Fair.

Home Refinery Here to Sell To Easterners

Trainload of Fuel Oil Day to Be Used in Open Hearth Steel Manufacture.

Representatives of some of the largest steel manufacturers in the United States are in Oklahoma City today on their way to Texas, making arrangements for purchase of enough fuel oil to compose a trainload of at least 50 cars a day. This oil will be purchased from the Home Refinery in Oklahoma City, the Producers & Refiners' Oil company, the Gulf and other companies.

Included in the representatives are E. B. Zuber and W. C. Fletcher of the American Steel Foundries, Chicago; H. T. Upton of the Gary, Indiana, steel plants; J. S. Bradley of the Republic Iron & Steel company, Youngstown, Ohio; and T. W. McVey of the Youngstown Sheet & Tube company, Youngstown, Ohio.

The fuel oil is to be used in open hearth furnaces in the steel factories.

The steel men are expected to be in Oklahoma City on their return east by next Tuesday or Wednesday.

ALLIES RECEIVE TURKISH ENVOYS TO PEACE MEET

Germans Have Two Days to Answer Allies' Reply.

(By The Associated Press.)
PARIS, June 14.—The council of five continued the work of editing the revised peace treaty this morning at the same time enabling Baron Makino, the Japanese representative, to acquaint himself with the document. The work is nearly completed and it is believed the treaty will go to the revision committee late tonight. It is said that it will be printed and ready for delivery to the Germans Monday or Tuesday.

It is the present plan of the council to renew consideration of the Austrian terms Monday. Representatives of Turkey will be received today.

If no other developments arise President Wilson, probably will make his trip to Brussels between Wednesday and the expiration of the German time limit.

Some modifications were made by the council yesterday in the labor covenant in the peace treaty.

The existing labor situation in various countries, coupled with clever German tactics, had resulted in this part of the treaty becoming one of the principal points of attack in the counter-proposals. The situation caused a lengthy discussion which resulted

GRAND BOULEVARD CLOSING IS HINTED

With only \$3,000 provided in the proposed budget for maintaining Grand boulevard, Commissioner Joe Patterson predicted this morning that the circular thoroughfare may be closed for lack of funds. According to Patterson there are two bridges on the boulevard that are badly in need of repairs and that this work alone will require the entire \$3,000. The closing of the street, he said, will not inconvenience entry to the city, as there are several streets that can be used.

SCOUT FLAG SERVICE AT CHURCH ON SUNDAY

James E. Pershing, scout executive, has issued instructions to the boy scout of Oklahoma City in regard to a flag day celebration.

The official order follows:

"The boy scouts of the Oklahoma City division are hereby notified that there will be a special flag day service arranged for the scouts at the First Christian church, Sunday, June 15, at 11 o'clock. Every scout is urged to be present and take part in raising the flag, the scouts' salute and oath."

Prof. Edwin De Barr of the university at Norman will make an address on "The Flag and Americanism."

FOCH SENDS ULTIMATUM TO GERMANY

Polish Army Must Be Permitted to Pass Through.

TRANSFER BEING HELD UP

Berlin Orders Stop Movement of Eight Troop Trains.

(By The Associated Press.)
COBLENZ, Friday, June 13.—An ultimatum demanding the immediate continuation of the movement of Polish troops across Germany has been sent to the German government by Marshal Foch according to dispatches received here from Spa.

Orders were issued at Berlin several days ago to hold up the Polish troop trains. One was held at Coblenz, another at Treves, two at Ems and eight in the interior of Germany. The transfer of Polish troops from France to Poland began about six weeks ago and was due to be completed on June 17.

A Berlin dispatch received on Friday night stated that Matthias Erzberger, chairman of the German armistice commission at Spa, had written General Dupont, chief of the French mission in Berlin, declaring that Poland intended to distribute two divisions of General Haller's troops along the frontier. It was said that Erzberger had protested that this was contrary to the terms of the armistice and that unless Poland abandoned her purpose Germany would be compelled to suspend the movement of the Polish army across Germany.

LAST 'POLICE COURT' IS HELD HERE TODAY

Municipal court adjourned this morning and became a part of history. When the court hall opens court next Monday morning it will be entirely different in its status as date has been set for the inauguration of the new form of court provided by a recent act of the state legislature. All cases now pending will be dismissed and refiled on the docket of the new court.

YOU HEARS A HEAP O' TALK BUT DE DOLLAR IS YOE BES' FRIEND—MERBE IT IS, BUT HIT'LL QUIT YOU SCAN'LOUS QUICK EF YOU DON' HUG IT MIGHTY TIGHT.

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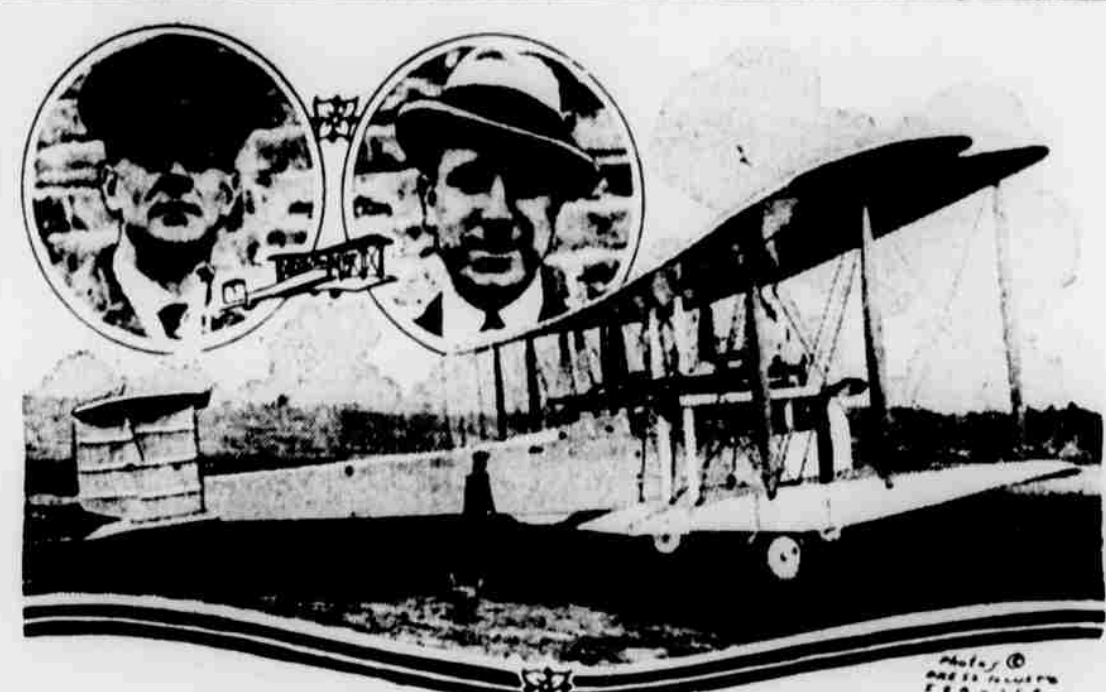


LOCAL FORECAST—Partly cloudy to cloudy weather tonight and Sunday. STATE FORECAST—Tonight and Sunday partly cloudy to cloudy weather.

HOURLY TEMPERATURES.

10 p. m.	72	8 a. m.	69
11 p. m.	72	7 a. m.	69
12 midnight	71	8 a. m.	71
1 a. m.	69	9 a. m.	72
2 a. m.	69	10 a. m.	70
3 a. m.	69	11 a. m.	73
4 a. m.	70	12 noon	75
5 a. m.	69	1 p. m.	75

Vickers-Vimy Plane Has American Navigator



Lieut. Arthur W. Brown (left), Capt. J. Alcock, and Vickers-Vimy biplane in which they will attempt trans-Atlantic flight.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., June 14.—(Special.)—The giant Vickers-Vimy-Rolls biplane, one of the entrants in the London Daily Mail's \$50,000 trans-Atlantic air flight contest. Her pilot is Capt. J. Alcock and her navigator is Lieut. Arthur W. Brown.

The Vickers craft carries two standard Rolls-Royce engines of 350 horsepower each. The gasoline tanks have been increased to make a capacity of 865 gallons. This, in the opinion of her pilot will permit the Vickers-Vimy to fly 2,440 miles without alighting. While the maximum speed is more than 100 miles an hour the engines have been throttled down to an average speed of ninety miles for the overseas flight.

The wing span of the Vickers-Vimy is only sixty-seven feet from tip to tip. Nevertheless it is a sturdy

craft, huge in construction. Its body is forty-two feet eight inches in length. The wings are ten feet six inches in width.

A wireless set is installed as part of the finding apparatus. Its range both for receiving and sending is about 250 miles.

Captain Alcock, the pilot, was born in Manchester in 1892 and received his technical training at the Empress Motor works in Manchester. He became interested in aviation in its early days and has been a pilot since 1912. In the famous London to Manchester race in 1913 he won second place.

He became an instructor in the naval flying corps at the outbreak of the war, and later was chief instructor of Britain's "aerobatic squadron." As commander of a bombing squadron in long distance raids over

Turkey he won the distinguished service order.

One night he was compelled to land on enemy soil owing to engine trouble and was taken prisoner by the Turks. He remained a prisoner until the end of the war.

Lieut. Arthur W. Brown, navigator of the Vickers craft, was born in Glasgow in 1886. His parents were Americans. He received his technical training with the British Westinghouse company, and due to his expert knowledge of surveying became a specialist in aerial navigation.

He served with the second battalion of the Manchester regiment in France in the early days of the war and later became an observer in the royal flying corps. He was also taken prisoner over the western front in 1915 and remained interned in Switzerland until the end of the war.

WIRE COMPANIES DECLARE TRAFFIC IS IMPROVING

Strikers Here Issue Statement of Reasons for Strike.

The telegraph operators' strike in Oklahoma City apparently remained unchanged this morning. Managers of the companies in the city report that no more men have gone out and that they still continue to handle business without delay. No signs of violence were manifest this morning. Picketing was going on in a mild form around the Western Union building.

H. A. Cohey who was arrested in a strike complication on a charge of carrying concealed weapons and attempted assault with a deadly weapon, was brought before the police court this morning but his case was continued until Monday.

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CROSSES ARE GIVEN TWO OKLAHOMA MEN

The army recruiting station here is in receipt of information in regard to two distinguished service crosses which have just been awarded to Oklahoma boys. Private Carl H. Carter of Claremore has been awarded the cross for extraordinary heroism as a battalion runner near Rembert, France, October 9 to November 11, 1918.

Private William C. Cody of Locust Grove was awarded the distinguished service cross for working tirelessly as company and platoon runner near Rembert, France, October 9 to November 11.

MUSKOGEE STREET CARS DON'T MOVE

MUSKOGEE, June 14.—(Special.)—Despite the fact that special officers were employed to guard Muskogee street cars, with the announced determination of street car officials to run cars in the face of all opposition, not a car was sent from the barns this morning. A demonstration of strikers late last night influenced the hired guards to quit their jobs, it is said.

Farmers Make Profits From Big Mud Hole

Road Association Manager Advises Motorists to Make Long Detour.

Farmers in Canadian county are making exorbitant profits from a bad mud hole one and a half miles beyond the Oklahoma county line on the El Reno road, according to R. A. Singletary, manager of the Oklahoma Good Roads association. The mud hole is absolutely impassable for an automobile. Singletary says, and one or more farmers keep a team on the job nearly all the time, hauling unfortunate motorists through the mud for \$2 a car. It is said that clay has been dumped into the hole, but that it has not helped the situation. Singletary has written the Canadian county commissioners asking them if they can't fill the hole, or at least station a team there and pull the cars out at the county's expense. Meantime, Singletary is planning to mark a detour around the hole and to advise everyone that it will be far cheaper to go the longer way around.

LOTTE BAKER'S FATE IN HANDS OF JURY TODAY

Closing Argument for State Finishes at Noon.

Deliberation by the jury in the case of Mrs. Lottie Baker, charged with the murder of her husband, began at 1 o'clock today. John R. Guyer, assistant county attorney, concluded the closing argument for the state before 12 o'clock, and the jury was permitted to go to lunch before beginning to consider the case.

Guyer charged that Mrs. Baker had told five different stories of what occurred just before the shooting.

"She shot her husband, not because she was insane, not because she was trying to defend herself, but in a fit of anger," said Guyer.

Guyer declared that a letter written by Mrs. Baker to her husband's mother, February 23, showed that she was not attempting to get away from her husband when she came to Oklahoma but that both had agreed to come.

"There is not one bit of evidence in this case that Lusco Baker ever had immoral relations with any woman," Guyer said. "The only evidence that Baker ever assaulted his wife comes from the wife herself, except that a friend of Mrs. Baker in Indiana has referred to assaults, but contradicted the testimony of the defendant."

Guyer declared that whatever verdict the jury returns will be satisfactory to the state.

FIVE BANDITS KILL INDIANA BANKER

GARY, Ind., June 14.—Cashier Herman Uecher of the First National bank of Tolleston, near here, was shot and killed by one of five fashionably dressed bandits who entered the bank today and demanded money. Assistant Cashier C. E. Phillips was shot in the leg. The bandits fled in an automobile without obtaining any money.

BUILDING PERMITS ARE AT HIGH POINT

Building permits for the first half of June represent a total expenditure of \$156,575. This is slightly in excess of the total at this time last month.

VIMY PLANE ON ITS WAY TO IRELAND

Biplane Began Flight From St. Johns, Newfoundland.

AMERICAN IS NAVIGATOR

Pilot Is Captain Jack Alcock, Veteran Aviator.

BULLETIN

CAPE RACE, N. F., June 14.—No message was received here by wireless from the Vickers-Vimy bombing plane during the first hour of its trans-Atlantic flight. This silence may be explained by the fact that Lieut. Brown the navigator, would be busy with his work during the early stage of the journey.

(By International News Service.)

ST. JOHNS, N. F., June 14.

—Captain Alcock, in his big Vickers-Vimy bombing plane, "hopped off" in an attempt to fly across the Atlantic ocean at 16:13 meridian time (about 12:13 New York time) this afternoon.

The start was made after it had once been abandoned for the day. Early in the day Captain Alcock prepared for the flight but strong adverse winds caused him to postpone the attempt. It was announced that the start probably would be put off until tomorrow. Shortly before noon, however, the wind veered round and the word went forth that the start would be made today.

Crowd Sees Start.

A good sized crowd was on hand to witness the start.

The big machine took the air gracefully and after swinging around over the starting point it headed east across the Atlantic.

Lieut. A. W. Brown, R. A. F., Capt. Alcock's navigator, was his only passenger. The big machine carried a four pound bag of mail, put aboard her at the last moment.

Captain Alcock will win the Daily Mail prize of \$50,000 if he accomplishes the flight as he is flying direct for Ireland. He expects to reach the Irish coast in about twenty hours.

Weather Ideal.

The weather was ideal for the attempt. Reports from abroad said that good conditions were reported all along the course Captain Alcock expects to take.

There was a possibility that the Handley-Page machine may also attempt to start its trans-Atlantic jump today.

Admiral Mark Kerr, its pilot, however, said that it was unlikely that he would start before tomorrow.

Captain Alcock has chosen Ireland as a preliminary destination but if the machine is working in good shape they probably will continue to England, rather than attempt a landing in Ireland, where the facilities are not as favorable.

Congress Prevents Pacific Flight

WASHINGTON, June 14.—A trans-Pacific seaplane flight was to have been attempted by the navy department, but now will be impossible because of the action of the house in cutting down in the naval appropriations bill, the amount for aeronautics from the \$45,000,000 requested, to \$15,000,000.

This was revealed today by Secretary Daniels in discussing the effect the slashing of the appropriation would have upon aeronautics in the department.

"We won't be able to fly across the Pacific this year," was the Secretary's comment. He refused to reveal, however, to what extent plans for such a flight had been developed, or when the attempt was to have been made.

BOY IS REJECTED BY ARMY; ARRESTED

James Menasco, 17 years old, had good intentions and hard luck. He came here yesterday with three comrades, enroute to the harvest fields. They viewed the parade.